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Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-Form 1449 and copy of reference A35.

No fees are believed to be due in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4100.002000.

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For: SUSTAINED DNA DELIVERY FROM
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the document listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the present case. A copy of the listed document required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(g),(h), this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

First and second non-final Official Actions on the merits have been received in the present application. However, this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the mailing of a final Official Action, notice of allowance or an Action that closes prosecution, and is timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) without a fee in light of the following information.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(2), it is hereby certified that the document listed in the accompanying Form PTO-1449 was not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. This patent issued on April 01, 2003, and could not have been submitted prior to that date. As the application from which the patent issued has been disclosed to the Office, the patent is believed to be cumulative over the co-pending application of record.

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